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SURFACES

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 25, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application. The period for the initial response to the Office Action is set to expire October 25, 2006. Therefore, with the granting of the accompanying petition for a three-month extension of time, Applicants believe that this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this document

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this document, and include an attached replacement drawing sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: